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In re the Application of: **KAKU, Junya**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **July 13, 2006**, entry of the following amendments and remarks, further examination, and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.